*Department for the Publicaton of Oriental Manuscripts.*

5. **Mr. P. R. Godavarma Raja** (*Edavagai*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the department for the Publication of Oriental Manuscripts has been transferred to the control of the Travancore University ;

(*b*) if so, when was it transferred ;

(*c*) who is the present head of the department and what is his designation ;

(*d*) whether the present head of the department has any academic qualifications for the work ;

(*e*) whether any new work has been published by the department since the transfer of the department to the University ; and

(*f*) whether any new work is ready for publication ?

**Rajyasevapravina M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar**: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 28th Dhanu 1115.

(*c*) Vaidyasastranipuna Dr. L. A. Ravi Varma, Honorary Director, Oriental Manuscripts Library.

(*d*) He is an Oriental Scholar though he has not taken a degree in Oriental Studies.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) Yes.

*Malayalam Lexicon.*

6. **Mr. P. R. Godavarma Raja** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is a proposal to publish a Malayalam Lexicon by the University.

(*b*) if so who is in charge of the same ;

(*c*) whether any committee has been constituted to assist him in the work ;

(*d*) how long will it take to complete the work ; and

(*e*) the probable cost of the same ?

**Rajyasevapravina M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar**: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Details regarding the scheme have not been settled.

(*c*), (*d*) and (*e*) Do not arise in view of answer to part (*b*)

*Publication of the Acts and Proclamations of Travancore by Government.*

9. **Mr. P. R. Godavarma Raja** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is a proposal to publish an authoritative edition of the Proclamations and Acts of Travancore directly by the Government ;

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